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## **Moonshine Bust in Hancock County**

Agents of the Mississippi Alcoholic Beverage Control executed a warrant on Hubert Dedeaux Road in Hancock County Mississippi. At the time the warrant was executed, agents discovered Donnie Ray Cuevas in the process of cooking whiskey. Cuevas, age 66 of 1210 Hubert Dedeaux Road, Kiln, was arrested for possession of an illicit distillery. It is estimated that the loss of federal and state taxes from this operation is \$3,360 a week.

The search resulted in the seizure and destruction of:

- 200-gallon stainless steel cooker;
- Copper condenser;
- Approximately 300 gallons moonshine whiskey;
- 800 gallons mash;
- 2600 pounds sugar; and
- 624 gallon jugs.

275 gallons of the moonshine was stored in 55-gallon drums.

Bond has not been set at this time. The investigation is continuing.

The Mississippi Alcoholic Beverage Control is a division of the Department of Revenue.